

**Household Type** 

# Vacuum Cleaner Owner's Guide 960-965 Series

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# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using an electric appliance, basic precautions should always be followed, including the following:

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS VACUUM CLEANER.

# **WARNING**

To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury:

- · Do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
- **Do not leave vacuum cleaner when plugged in.** Turn off the switch and unplug the electrical cord when not in use and before servicing.
- Do not allow to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
- Use only as described in this manual. Use only manufacturer's recommended attachments.
- Do not use with damaged cord or plug. If vacuum cleaner is not working as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, return it to a service center before using.
- Do not pull or carry by cord, use cord as a handle, close a door on cord, or pull cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run vacuum cleaner over cord. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- Hold plug when rewinding onto cord reel. Do not allow plug to whip when rewinding.
- Do not use extension cords or outlets with inadequate current carrying capacity.
- Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- Do not unplug by pulling on cord. To unplug, grasp the plug, not the cord.
- Do not handle plug or vacuum cleaner with wet hands or operate without shoes.
- Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce airflow.
- This vacuum cleaner creates suction. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all parts of body away from openings and moving parts.
- Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches, or hot ashes.
- Do not use without dust bag or filter(s) in place.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- Do not pick up flammable or combustible liquids such as gasoline, or use in areas where they may be present.
- Store your cleaner indoors in a cool, dry area.
- Keep your work area well lighted.
- Unplug electrical appliances before vacuuming them.

# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

# **CONSEILS DE SÉCURITÉ**

Lors de l'utilisation d'un appareil électrique, quelques précautions élémentaires doivent être observées, incluant les suivantes:

LISEZ TOUTES LES INSTRUCTIONS AVANT D'UTILISER VOTRE ASPIRATEUR.

# **AVERTISSEMENT**

Pour réduire le risque de feu, de choc électrique ou de blessure:

- Ne pas utiliser l'aspirateur à l'extérieur ou sur une surface mouillée.
- Ne pas laisser l'aspirateur seul quand il est branché. Mettre l'interrupteur sur arrêt et débrancher l'appareil lorsque vous ne l'utilisez pas ou avant l'entretien.
- Ne pas permettre que l'aspirateur soit utilisé comme un jouet. Une attention particulière est nécessaire lorsqu'il est utilisé par ou près d'un enfant.
- Suivre strictement les recommandations d'utilisation de ce manuel. Utiliser uniquement les accessoires recommandés par le fabricant.
- Ne jamais utiliser l'aspirateur si le cordon ou la fiche sont endommagés. Si l'aspirateur ne fonctionne pas comme il le devrait, s'il a été échappé, s'il est endommagé, s'il a été laissé à l'extérieur ou échappé dans de l'eau, le retourner à un centre de service avant de l'utiliser.
- Ne pas l'aspirateur ou le transporter par le cordon. Ne pas utiliser le cordon en guise de poignée. Ne pas fermer une porte sur le cordon ou tirer le cordon sur des bordures ou des coins pointus. Ne pas passer l'aspirateur sur le cordon. Tenir le cordon à distance des surfaces chauffantes.
- Tenez la fiche à la main lorsque vous rebobinez le cordon. Ne permettez pas que la fiche s'emporte brusquement lorsque vous rebobinez le cordon.
- Ne pas utiliser des cordons de rallonge ou des prises qui n'ont pas une capacité suffisante pour transporter le courant.
- Mettre sur arrêt tous les boutons de commande avant de débrancher.
- Ne pas débrancher l'aspirateur en tirant sur le cordon. Pour débrancher saisir la fiche et non pas le cordon.
- Ne pas manipuler la fiche ou l'aspirateur les mains mouillées ou faire fonctionner pieds nus.
- Ne rien insérer dans les ouvertures. Ne pas utiliser l'aspirateur si des ouvertures sont bloquées. Vous assurer qu'elles soient dégagées de poussière, de mousse, de cheveux ou de tout autre chose qui pourrait réduire le passage de l'air.
- Cet aspirateur crée de la succion. Tenir les parties mobiles et les ouvertures loin des cheveux, du linge, des doigts et de toute partie du corps.
- Ne pas ramasser des objets qui brûlent ou fument comme les cigarettes, les allumettes ou les cendres chaudes.
- Ne pas utiliser sans que le sac à poussière ou le(s) filtre(s) ne soient en place.
- Porter une attention particulière lorsque vous nettoyez les escaliers.
- Ne pas utiliser pour ramasser des liquides inflammables ou combustibles, comme de l'essence. Ne pas utiliser dans les endroits ou ces liquides pourraient être présents.
- Entreposer votre aspirateur à l'intérieur, dans un endroit propre et sec.
- Maintenir un bon éclairage à l'endroit où vous travaillez.
- Débrancher les appareils électriques avant de les passer à l'aspirateur.

# **CONSERVEZ CES INSTRUCTIONS**

**To reduce the risk of electric shock,** this appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). This plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper outlet. Do not change the plug in any way.

Afin de réduire le risque de choc électrique, cet appareil est muni d'une fiche polarisée (une des lames est plus large). Cette fiche ne peut être insérée dans une prise polarisée que d'une seule façon. Si la fiche ne peut être insérée dans la prise, retourner la fiche. Si la fiche ne peut toujours pas être insérée dans la prise, faire installer une prise adéquate par un électricien qualifié. Ne pas modifier la fiche.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

The cleaner is designed to pick up dirt and dust particles. Avoid picking up hard or sharp objects with the cleaner to avoid bag breakage, hose clogging, or possible motor damage.

#### **Service Information**

The instructions in this booklet serve as a guide to routine maintenance. For additional service information telephone our toll free number for the nearest Eureka Authorized Warranty Station. You should know the model, type and serial numbers when you call:

USA: 1-800-282-2886 Mexico: 5670-6169 Canada: 1-800-282-2886

If you prefer, you can write to The Eureka Company, Service Division, 807 North Main Street, Bloomington, Illinois 61701, USA. In Canada write to The Eureka Company, 866 Langs Drive, Cambridge, Ontario N3H 2N7. Refer to The Eureka Warranty for complete service information.



DO NOT OIL the motor at any time. The bearings are permanently lubricated and sealed.

## **Rating Plate**

The model, type, and serial numbers are indicated on the rating plate located on the under side of the cleaner. For prompt and complete service information, always refer to these numbers when inquiring about service.

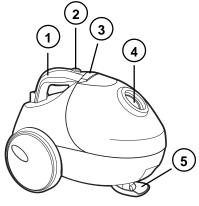
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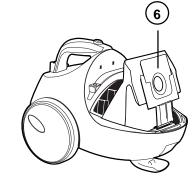
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#### Thermal Cut Off

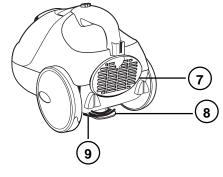
This vacuum cleaner has a special thermostat that protects the cleaner in case of motor overheating. If the cleaner suddenly shuts off, push the on/off button once and unplug the cleaner. Check the cleaner for a possible source of overheating such as a full bag, a blocked hose or clogged filter. If these conditions are found, fix them and wait at least 30 minutes before attempting to use the cleaner. After the 30 minute period, plug the cleaner back in and push the on/off button to start the cleaner. If the cleaner still does not run, then take it to a Eureka Authorized Service Center for repair.

## **IDENTIFY PARTS OF CLEANER**





- Carrying Handle
- 2. On/Off Button
- 3. Bag Cover Latch
- 4. Hose Inlet
- 5. Swivel Cord Hook
- 6. Disposable Dust Bag
- 7. Micron Filter Door
- 8. Stationary Cord Hook
- Electrical Cord Stored on Underneath of Cleaner



## **HOW TO USE**

A carpet should be cleaned regularly over heavily traveled areas, and once a week over the entire carpeted area. Vacuum slowly, making several passes (forward and backward) over the carpet, covering small areas at a time. The time required to clean the carpet will depend on several factors—including type of carpet and amount of dirt.

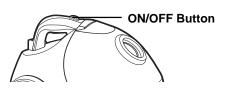
1 Connect Hose



- 2 Lift cleaner and hold with one hand while unwrapping electrical cord from around cord hooks (bottom of cleaner) with the other hand.
- Plug into electrical socket.



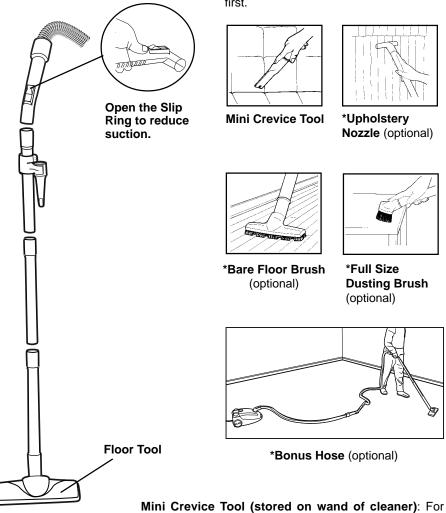
Push ON/OFF Button
(A thermostat automatically shuts the motor off if it overheats, see Thermal Cut Off )



## **Cleaning Accessories**

#### Attach wands and cleaning tools

Slip the circular end of an accessory tool onto the end of the hose handle and twist slightly to secure. If additional reach is needed, place a wand on the hose handle first.



Mini Crevice Tool (stored on wand of cleaner): For crevices, corners, baseboards, between cushions.

<sup>\*</sup>Upholstery Nozzle: For curtains, draperies, cushions, fabrics.

<sup>\*</sup>Full Size Dusting Brush: For furniture, blinds, books, lamp shades, shelves.

<sup>\*</sup>Bare Floor Brush: For any type of hard surface floor.

<sup>\*</sup>Bonus Hose: Extends reach of hose for easier cleaning.

<sup>\*</sup>May be purchased separately.

#### **HOW TO MAINTAIN**

The instructions given in this booklet serve as a guide to routine maintenance. To avoid unnecessary service calls, check the hose, bag and filter often. Clear a clogged hose with the blower, change the bag if it is full, and clean the motor filter when it is dirty.

## **Disposable Dust Bags and Filters**

The dust bag and motor filter play a very important roll in the efficiency of the vacuum cleaner. The purpose of the dust bag is to trap dirt, but at the same time, the paper bag must be porous enough to allow air to pass through. If the bag or the motor filter become clogged, no air can pass through the cleaner and no cleaning can take place regardless of how powerful the unit is. To keep the cleaner operating at maximum efficiency, change the dust bag frequently and clean the filter as needed. Some fine particles can restrict airflow very quickly and will decrease performance even before the bag appears to be full. For that reason, when vacuuming carpet fresheners or cleaners, powder, plaster dust, or similar fine substances, the bag and filter may need to be changed more often.

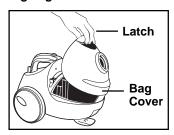
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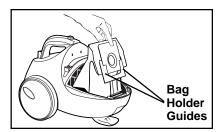
## How to Remove Disposable Dust Bags - Style L

NOTE: Turn off vacuum and unplug the electrical cord before changing dust bag or cleaning motor filter. Never operate the vacuum cleaner without the dust bag or filter.

- 1 Turn off and unplug cleaner.
- Open bag cover by lifting up on latch with fingers and raising bag cover.



(3) Lift dust bag out of bag holder guides.

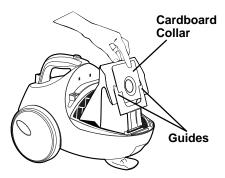


## How to Install Disposable Dust Bags-Style L

NOTE: Turn off vacuum and unplug the electrical cord before changing dust bag or cleaning motor filter. Never operate the vacuum cleaner without the dust bag or filter.

 See above steps 1-3 to remove used dust bag. Discard used dust bag in a trash receptacle.

## How to Install Disposable Dust Bags – Style T (continued)



- 2. Open bag folds slightly.
- Place dust bag in dust bag holder by placing cardboard collar into guides. Push down until collar is into position.

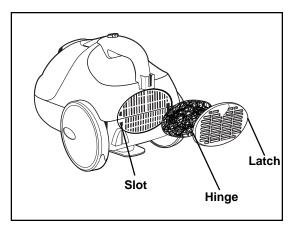
4. Lower bag cover lid, lining it up with grooves in base and placing long front tab in opening between base and handle. Press down until front tab latches onto bottom of handle. The handle holds the bag cover lid in place when properly installed.



#### **How to Install Micron Filter**

Check the Micron filter with each disposable dust bag change. Replace a minimum of twice a year or after every six bag changes.

- Push Micron filter door latch to the left and pull door out away from cleaner.
- Micron filter is on the inside of the filter door. Pull filter away from the filter door and clean or replace.
- The Micron filter can be cleaned by brushing over a trash receptacle.
- Return the Micron filter to the back side of the filter door. Push filter door hinge into slot on cleaner and swing door closed until it snaps shut.



# **PROBLEM SOLVING**

NOTE: Turn OFF the power switch and unplug the electrical cord before servicing.

PROBLEM CAUSE		SOLUTION
Motor won't start	✓ Electric plug	Push plug securely into outlet.      Try another outlet.
	Power switch not turned "ON"	☐ Check circuit breaker. ☐ Make sure power switch is "ON."
No suction at end of hose	✓ Full paper bag ✓ Hose	Replace paper bag.  Remove any clogs from hose that restrict airflow, then try again.
	Front cover not latched	Push front cover until it latches firmly.
Reduced suction	<ul><li>✓ Full paper bag</li><li>✓ Slip ring open</li></ul>	Replace paper bag. Slide slip ring on wand until hole is covered.
	✓ Hose	Remove any clogs from hose that restrict airflow, then try again.
Cleaner shuts off	Internal safety thermostat trips	Unplug cleaner and check for obstructions in hose, wands and attachments.
		Check for full paper bag.  Clean/replace motor filter.
General questions	Assembly or related attachments	Call 1-800-282-2886 between 7:00 AM–8:00 PM central standard time, Monday through Saturday. Know the Model number and Serial number when you call.

# THE EUREKA LIMITED WARRANTY

#### What This Warranty Covers

Your Eureka cleaner is warranted to be free from all defects in material and workmanship in normal household use for a period of one year. The warranty is granted only to the original purchaser and members of his or her immediate household. The warranty is subject to the following provisions.

#### What This Warranty Does Not Cover

- Parts of the cleaner that require replacement under normal use, such as disposable dust bags, filters, drive belts, light bulbs, and brush roll bristles
- Damages or malfunctions caused by negligence, abuse, or use not in accordance with the Owner's Guide.

Defects or damages caused by unauthorized service or the use of other than Genuine Eureka parts.

#### What The Eureka Company Will Do

The Eureka Company will, at its option, repair or replace a defective cleaner or cleaner part that is covered by this warranty. As a matter of warranty policy, the Eureka Company will not refund the consumer's purchase price.

#### **O**btaining Warranty Service

To obtain warranty service you must return the defective cleaner or cleaner part along with proof of purchase to any Eureka Authorized Warranty Station.

You will find the nearest location in the Yellow Pages, under "Vacuum Cleaners-Service and Repair." Be certain that the Warranty Station is "Eureka Authorized."

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Return shipping charges will be paid by the Warranty Station. When returning parts for repair, please include the model, type, and serial number from the data plate on the cleaner.

#### **F**urther Limitations and Exclusions

Any warranty that may be implied in connection with your purchase or use of the cleaner, including any warranty of Merchantability or any warranty for Fitness For A Particular Purpose is limited to the duration of this warranty. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

Your relief for the breach of this warranty is limited to the relief expressly provided above. In no event shall Eureka be liable for any consequential or incidental damages you may incur in connection with your purchase or use of the cleaner. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may also have other rights which vary by state.



## Questions & Answers about Genuine Eureka Products

- Q: Why should I use only Genuine Eureka paper bags, belts, and parts in my Eureka vacuum cleaner?
- A: Using Genuine Eureká Products, which are made to our exacting specifications and engineered with emphasis on quality, performance, and customer satisfaction, ensures the long life and cleaning efficiency of your vacuum cleaner. Overall, this saves you money and helps to keep your home clean.
- Q: How can I be sure I am using only genuine Eureka products in my vacuum cleaner?
- A: Typically, packaged products and paper bags can be identified by a "Genuine Eureka Product" symbol (see illustration above). For further identification assistance, you may call our toll-free number, 1-800-282-2886, for the location of a nearby Eureka Authorized Warranty Station.
- Q: Are there any differences between "made to fit" or "imitation" and Genuine Eureka paper bags, belts, and parts?
- A: Yes, there are some very important differences in materials, quality, and reliability. Many customers have mistakenly purchased "imitation" paper bags and parts while thinking they purchased genuine. Unfortunately, many of these customers discovered the differences after they experienced related difficulties.

# For Genuine Eureka Value, Accept No Imitations! THE EUREKA COMPANY

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